

WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

5/2/2022

I. ROLL CALL & ORDERING OF AGENDA

President Mike Buytendyk called the regular meeting of Wooster City Council to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Lynne DePaulo called roll with the following members present; Craig Sanders, Bob Reynolds, Scott Myers, Mark Cavin, David Silvestri, Jennifer Warden and Barb Knapic. City Administration present: Mayor Bob Breneman, Finance Director Andrei Dordea, Director of Administration Joel Montgomery and Law Director John Scavelli.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Silvestri moved to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2022 regular meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Knapic. Upon voice vote, the minutes were approved.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

The Mayor was sad to report that Gary Thompson had passed away. Mr. Thompson had been a member of Wooster City Council and served on the Hospital Board of Governors.

Mayor Breneman reported that the City had hosted a dedication/ribbon cutting for Clear Creek Park and celebrated Arbor Day on Friday, April 29th.

The Fire Department swore in 20 EMS/firefighters this evening.

Mr. Montgomery will present legislation for changing ward boundaries at the next meeting.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC

Councilwoman Knapic motioned to waive the Liquor Control Hearing for Omaha Bob's BBQ, seconded by Councilman Sanders. Upon roll-call, the motion passed 7-0. (Cavin=yes, Reynolds – yes, Knapic – yes, Sanders – yes, Silvestri – yes, Myers –yes, Warden - yes)

Councilwoman Knapic motioned to waive the Liquor Control Hearing for Beef O'Bradys, seconded by Councilman Sanders. Upon roll-call, the motion passed 7-0. (Cavin=yes, Reynolds – yes, Knapic – yes, Sanders – yes, Silvestri – yes, Myers –yes, Warden - yes)

The following spoke against Resolution 2022-18:

Jaimie Tangen, 565 Oakley Road
Judy Carmony, 547 Oakley Road
Brent Rice, 573 Oakley Road

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Second Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2022-18

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF CONSTRUCTING SIDEWALKS AND CURB RAMPS ON PORTIONS OF OAKLEY ROAD, SAUNDERS DRIVE AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Warden)

Councilwoman Warden said everyone has had time to familiarize themselves with this resolution. Council does not feel strongly about the issue and has received many calls from residents who are not in favor of the sidewalks. President Buytendyk explained that a tabled motion could be brought back to council within one year; this normally does not happen.

Councilwoman Warden moved to table, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon roll call, motion to table passed 7-0. (Knapic=yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Warden – yes, Cavin – yes)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2022-19

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR REPAIRS TO SEWER ALONG CLEVELAND ROAD AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Silvestri)

Councilman Silvestri said this is an emergency request since the sewer line along Cleveland Road has collapsed. Mr. Kobilarcsik received five estimates for the work with the project estimated to be more than the \$50,000 threshold for bidding. It is a budgeted item.

Councilman Silvestri moved to adopt, seconded by Councilwoman Knapic. Upon roll call, motion to adopt passed 7-0. (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Warden – yes, Cavin – yes)

2. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2022-07

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WAYNE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES FOR COMPENSATION OF LOST PROPERTY TAX REVENUES DUE RESULTING FROM ANNEXATION; FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said this legislation is an ORC requirement. It is legislation to compensate the township for lost revenue due to the annexation of property. Councilman Silvestri asked why all ten property owners' signatures were not collected. Mr. Millea said the petition called for a majority of owners, not 100%. Mr. Millea explained the details of the agreement and how it would work. Councilman Cavin questioned what services the township would provide. Mr. Millea said they would not be providing any services. Councilman Cavin again questioned the fact that even though the City is providing revenue replacement, the township would not provide any services. Mr. Millea said that even with the revenue replacement, the City will be ahead.

Councilman Sanders moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilwoman Warden. Upon roll call, motion to suspend passed 7-0 (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Cavin – yes, Warden - yes)

Councilman Sanders moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. Upon roll call, motion to adopt passed 7-0 (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Cavin-yes, Warden - yes)

3. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2022-08

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$560,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY THE PROPERTY OWNERS' PORTION, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, OF THE COSTS OF IMPROVING MELROSE DRIVE BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI BY GRADING, DRAINING, WIDENING, PAVING, RESURFACING, CONSTRUCTING CURBS, GUTTERS, A MULTI-USE PATH, SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAY APPROACHES, INSTALLING STORM SEWERS, CATCH BASINS, MANHOLES, WATER MAINS, FIRE HYDRANTS, AND TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS, AND ACQUIRING ANY REAL ESTATE AND INTERESTS THEREIN REQUIRED THEREBY, ALL TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said this is to issue notes to improve Melrose Drive and reviewed the terms of the notes.

Councilman Sanders moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilwoman Knapic. Upon roll call, motion to suspend passed 7-0 (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Cavin – yes, Warden - yes)

Councilman Sanders moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon roll call, motion to adopt passed 7-0 (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Cavin-yes, Warden - yes)

4. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2022-09

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,800,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY THE COST OF IMPROVING AND EXPANDING THE CITY’S SANITARY SEWERAGE SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING AND RECONSTRUCTING SANITARY SEWERS, FORCE MAINS AND LIFT STATIONS, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said these are notes to pay for infrastructure for the Spring Run Development and reviewed the terms of the notes. Mr. Dordea increased the notes amount to be sure to cover the cost of the estimated project; they will only issue notes for the actual cost.

Councilman Sanders moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilwoman Knapic. Upon roll call, motion to suspend passed 7-0 (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Cavin – yes, Warden - yes)

Councilman Sanders moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon roll call, motion to adopt passed 7-0 (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Cavin-yes, Warden - yes)

5. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2022-10

APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE WOOSTER DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LTD. (Reynolds)

Councilman Reynolds said this accompanies the last piece of legislation. The agreement with Wooster Development Company, LTD commits them to develop the property known as the Spring Run Development and be fiscally responsible.

Councilman Reynolds moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. Upon roll call, motion to suspend passed 7-0 (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Cavin – yes, Warden - yes)

Councilman Reynolds moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon roll call, motion to adopt passed 7-0 (Knapic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Reynolds – yes; Sanders – yes, Myers – yes, Cavin-yes, Warden - yes)

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

The following spoke:


Linda Houston, 1823 Burbank Road


Councilwoman Knapic attended the Child Abuse Prevention program last week. The Wooster Police Department had five law enforcement officers nominated with Detective Juan McCloud receiving the Officer of the Year award. Assistant Chief, Scott Rotolo, was a nominee as a Child’s Advocate of the Year award.

Councilman Silvestri requested a Public Utilities Committee meeting for Monday, June 6, 2022 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Silvestri motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon voice-vote, the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.


Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council


Lynne DePaulo
Clerk of Council

